

**BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
WASHINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES -December 27, 2018**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle, Higgins.

Also, Present: Matthew Hall, Manager  
Laurie A. Barton Borough Clerk

Absent: Fulloon

Mayor Higgins led everyone in the flag salute.

Mayor Higgins read the following Statement into the Record:

“The requirements of the ‘Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, Chapter 231’ have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.”

**COUNCIL APPEARANCE**

Hearing no public comment motion made by Klimko and seconded by Valle to close the audience portion.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0  
Motion Carried.

**MINUTES**

Motion made by Klimko and seconded by Norris to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 20, 2018 and December 4, 2018.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0  
Motion Carried.

**REPORTS**

Motion made by Klimko and seconded by Noone to received and file the following the reports:

- 1. Police-November
- 2. Court

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
 Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion made by Valle and seconded by Klimko to approve Resolution 2018-167

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
 Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-167**

**A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE**

**As per N.J.S.A.54:5**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, WHEREAS**, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on October 19, 2018 to JU Solo 401K Trust, 42 Huntington Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920, in the amount of \$500.44 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2017 in the name of Cooley, Kelvin & Pringle-Cooley, C M supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 8 Grand Ave., Block 10.01 Lot 4, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #18-00005; and

**WHEREAS**, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 12-12-18 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, Comerica Bank, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by JU Solo 401K Trust by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$1,041.68 which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #18-00005.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 27th day of December 2018 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to JU Solo 401K Trust, 42 Huntington Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920 in the **amount of \$1,041.68** (This amount consists of \$1,041.68 Certificate Amount redeemed).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 10.01 Lot 4 from the tax office records.

Motion made by Klimko and seconded by Valle to approve Resolution 2018-168

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
 Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
 Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-168**

**A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE**  
**As per N.J.S.A.54:5**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, WHEREAS,** lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on October 19, 2018 to JU Solo 401K Trust, 42 Huntington Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920, in the amount of \$500.49 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2017 in the name of Etrade Bank supposed owner, and in said assessment and sale were described as 17 State St., Block 11 Lot 4, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #18-00006; and

**WHEREAS,** the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 12-12-18 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, Interstate 1<sup>st</sup> Title, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by JU Solo 401K Trust by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$1,052.39 which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #18-00006.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** on this 27th day of December 2018 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to JU Solo 401K Trust, 42 Huntington Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920 in the **amount of \$1,052.39** (This amount consists of \$1,052.39 Certificate Amount redeemed).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 11 Lot 4 from the tax office records.

Motion made by Valle and seconded by Klimko to approve Resolution 2018-169

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-169**

**A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE**  
**As per N.J.S.A.54:5**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, WHEREAS,** lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on October 13, 2017 to US Bank Cust Pro Capital 7, 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, in the amount of \$31,410.85 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2016 in the name of Washington Norse, LLC as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 7 Railroad Ave. Block 80 Lot 12, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #17-00026; and

**WHEREAS,** the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 12-12-18 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, Bank United, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by US Bank Cust Pro Capital 7 by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$91,009.17 which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #17-00026.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 27th day of December 2018 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to US Bank Cust Pro Capital 7, 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 in the amount of **\$91,009.17** (This amount consists of \$91,009.17 Certificate Amount redeemed).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 80 Lot 12 from the tax office records.

Motion made by Klimko and seconded by Norris to approve Resolution 2018-170

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-170**

**A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE**

**As per N.J.S.A.54:5**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, WHEREAS**, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on October 19, 2018 to Light Properties, LLC, 17 W. Cliff St., Somerville, NJ 08876, in the amount of 622.79 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2017 in the name of Shemenski, Chad W & Denise as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 353 North Prospect St., Block 2 Lot 7, which sale was evidenced by certificate #18-00001 and

**WHEREAS**, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 12-17-18 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, Lereta Tax Service claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by Light Properties, LLC by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$1,171.59 which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #18-00001.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 27th day of December 2018 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to Light Properties, LLC, 17 W. Cliff St., Somerville, NJ 08876 in the amount of **\$1,171.59** (This consists of \$1,171.59 Certificate Amount redeemed).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 2 Lot 7 from the tax office records.

Motion made by Klimko and seconded by Norris to approve Resolution 2018-171

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-171**

**A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE**  
**As per N.J.S.A.54:5**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, WHEREAS**, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on October 13, 2017 to US Bank Cust Pro Capital 7, 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, in the amount of \$668.02 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2016 in the name of Elmalhy, Amr & Genevieve as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 83 Lenape Trail Block 101 Lot 15.49, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #17-00037; and

**WHEREAS**, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 12-17-18 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, Comerica Bank, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by US Bank Cust Pro Capital 7 by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$3,949.55 which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #17-00037.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 27th day of December 2018 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to US Bank Cust Pro Capital 7, 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102 in the amount of **\$3,949.55** (This amount consists of \$3,949.55 Certificate Amount redeemed).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 101 Lot 15.49 from the tax office records.

Motion made by Klimko and seconded by Norris to approve Resolution 2018-172

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-172**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF FUNDS TO TRU-COLORS  
RESTORATION INC. ACCOUNT HELD IN TRUST  
BY THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON**

**WHEREAS**, Tru-Colors Restoration Inc. has requested the return of any remaining inspection fees and/or cash bond monies deposited for Street Opening Permit #2017-39 in the Street Opening Escrow Account #7200020864 for work performed at 17 Youmans Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, Kevin Smith, Municipal Engineer, has performed the final inspection and concurs with the release of the remaining balance of \$588.75 for the cash bond (\$1,000.00 less \$411.25 paid to engineer for inspections that exceeded the \$300.00 deposited for inspections to pay an invoice in the amount of \$711.25) and approves the return of these funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Municipal Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check to Tru-Colors Restoration Inc., 80 Savercool Avenue, Pen Argyl, PA 18072, in the amount of \$588.75 to refund the remaining cash bond monies for the Maintenance/Guarantee from the Street Openings Account #7200020864.

**VOUCHERS AND CLAIMS**

Motion made by Noone seconded by Klimko to pay the vouchers and claims in the amount of \$190,311.40 from the current fund and \$ 6,058.51 from sewer.

ROLL CALL: Klimko, Noone, Norris, Parichuk, Valle and Higgins.  
Ayes: 6, Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, a motion was made by Klimko seconded by Noone to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 pm.

Ayes: 6; Nays: 0  
Motion Carried.

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Mayor David Higgins

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Laurie A. Barton, Borough Clerk